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TO: Iowa Medicaid Hospitals, Physicians, Dentists, Rural Health Clinics, Clinics, Maternal Health Centers, Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Certified Nurse Midwives, Birthing Centers, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners and Remedial Services Providers

ISSUED BY: Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

RE: Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Payment Program Updates – Preparing for Year Two

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

Iowa has been a national leader in the EHR incentive payment program. As of October 24, 2011, Iowa Medicaid has paid out **\$21,313,135** to qualifying eligible professionals and hospitals. The IME is looking forward to continuing this momentum into 2012 by assisting providers in applying for their Year Two payment, as well as continuing to work with providers in qualifying for Year One payments. To that end, we have scheduled the following educational webinars:

For Eligible Professionals: November 14, 2011, 12:00 P.M

For Eligible Hospitals: November 15, 2011, 12:00 P.M.

What is Covered:

- Basic eligibility rules as they relate to Year One and Year Two applicants
- Timeframes for applying for a 2011 or 2012 payment – issues to be considered
- Registration and attestation instructions
- Questions and Answers

Invitation to the Webinar:

Please send your request for an invitation to imeincentives@dhs.state.ia.us.

To attend a webinar please follow the instructions in the email invitation which will be sent by the IME. If you are unable to attend the live webinar, the slides will be available on the IME website at <http://www.ime.state.ia.us/Providers/EHRIncentives.html>.

If you have any questions about the webinar or the EHR Incentive Payment Program please contact Kelly Peiper, Medicaid HIT Coordinator, at 515-974-3071 or by email at imeincentives@dhs.state.ia.us.